Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 30 Jan 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 31 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Sunday 30 Jan 2022 at 02:55 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the more changeable, windy spell of weather to continue.

Headline for Sunday 30 Jan 2022: Dry, bright start then becoming cloudy with rain, snow, severe gales and blizzards developing in afternoon. A stormy evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 30 Jan 2022

Blizzards High Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** High Likelihood	**Storm force winds** High Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	30%	80%	80%	80%

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Weather: Dry in the morning with a few clear or sunny intervals. Then cloud thickening with outbreaks of snow developing in the afternoon, though mostly rain below 400m. Snow becoming persistent and heavy with blizzards and severe winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% at first falling 10-20% through the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Mainly good at first with cloud mostly above summits. Then poor visibility becoming widespread in snow, very poor in heavy snow and blizzard conditions with cloud also lowering 450-600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/9 W	17/22 S	27/35 S	39/53 S	42/59 S	56/79 NW	51/73 NW
900	8/10 SW	17/21 S	28/36 S	43/56 S	45/60 S	48/67 W	41/59 NW
600	5/9 SW	10/15 SW	18/27 S	31/44 S	34/49 S	36/55 W	29/46 NW
300	3/11 SW	4/12 SW	6/17 S	16/35 S	30/48 S	33/57 W	26/43 NW
Glen	4/9 SW	4/16 SW	5/18 S	8/28 S	20/37 SW	24/48 W	20/37 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-6/-10	-5/-13	-6/-15	-5/-16	-5/-16	-5/-17	-6/-18
900	-2/-7	-2/-8	-2/-10	-1/-10	-1/-11	-2/-12	-3/-12
600	-0/-3	1/-4	0/-6	1/-6	1/-7	0/-8	-0/-8
300	1/-1	1/-2	2/-0	3/-2	4/-2	3/-4	2/-4
Glen	2/-0	1/-2	3/0	3/-1	3/-2	3/-3	3/-3
Freezing Level*	400m	400m	400m	600m	700m	600m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Rapidly deteriorating situation in afternoon with multiple hazards bringing severe conditions.

Forecast for Monday 31 Jan 2022

Weather: Snow showers to low levels overnight and in the morning. Becoming more overcast later in the afternoon with some patchy light rain and drizzle, any snow becoming increasingly confined to summits and turning to rain even there later in the evening.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 60 gusts 90mph or even higher in early hours becoming westerly 35 gusts 50mph in the morning easing 30 gusts 40mph in afternoon, picking up again late evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% in morning falling 30% in afternoon then 10% in evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Mostly good away from cloud, but poor in snow showers, and later in drizzle this mainly in the west. Cloud steadily lowers to 750m, even lower in the west in the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 rising to Plus 5 Celsius, then Plus 8 in the evening.
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius rising to Zero Celsius then Plus 4 in the evening.
Freezing level: 300m rising to 800m, then above summits later in the evening.

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